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Foreign type cheese retail demand continues to be steady following the holiday weekend. Sellers describe recent food service demand for foreign type cheese as in line with expectations. Southern European demand continues to strengthen as more seasonal vacationing begins to take place. However, stakeholders also note heavier rain events have lightened the pace for a few areas of southern Europe. Export demand is mixed. Sellers convey that uncertainties from some trade policies are affecting demand among international buyers. European milk production and cheese production are generally stronger. However, a few stakeholders express concern regarding herd health issues and/or drought conditions in Germany negatively impacting milk production and, by extension, cheese production in the near term. Despite some manufacturers noting tight inventories, industry sources indicate varietal cheese prices are trending downward for the most part this week.

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